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**Via Electronic Delivery**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Office of the Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation**

**Petition for Rulemaking Regarding the Need for 700 MHz Mobile  
Equipment to be Capable of Operating on All Paired Commercial 700  
MHz Frequency Blocks; RM-11592**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 23, 2011, the undersigned, counsel to Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (“HTC”) and Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (“FTC”), along with John Bowen of the McNair Law Firm, Brent Groome of HTC and Dent Adams of FTC met with Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”) Commissioner Clyburn and Legal Advisor to Commissioner Clyburn, Louis Peraertz. In the meeting, the parties discussed and explored general wireless issues that impact independent wireless companies. Specifically, the parties discussed current challenges in deploying services utilizing the 700 MHz “A Block” band, and discussed ways that the FCC can continue to promote the provision of wireless services in rural areas.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s Rules, this letter is being filed via ECFS with your office. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Donald L. Herman, Jr.

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